Member.—It is not so. Many crimes are committed in the locality. If necessary, other places may be grouped and brought under its jurisdiction. A charging station is necessary. You may satisffy yourself by personal enquiry when you visit the place.

Dewan.—Yes, I shall consider. I have already answered the representation in regard to the maintenance of roads.

161. Grievances of the people of Ettumanur and how to redress them.

Mr. K. Govinda Pillai (Member, Ettumanur Taluk) in dealing with the grievances of the people of Ettumanur first urged the necessity for opening Form IV in the local English school from the next school year.

Considering the volume of trade carried on through Atirampuzha market, mercantile interests of Ettumanur should berepresented in the Assembly as in the case of Kottayam, Changanachery and other places. Besides, the taluk, as it was at present constituted, had a population of more than a lakh. The Member therefore requested that two members be allowed for the taluk.

The Member next dwelt on the necessity of bringing the whole taluk within the limits of the jurisdiction of the District and Sessions Court at Kottayam since the court at Alleppey was far away. He also spoke about the inconvenience caused to the people on account of the want of a Munsiff's Court at Ettumanur. At present the people of the taluk had to resort to any one of the three Courts at Kottayam, Minachil and Vaikam. He made pointed reference to the large number of cases pending execution proceedings in these courts and requested that Government might be pleased to open a Court at Ettumanur without delay. He suggested that the Circuit Judge should visit Ettumanur, ascertain the number of cases filed from that taluk and then place proposals before Government for final decision.

The necessity for opening a manure depōt and a demonstration farm in the taluk was then brought to notice. The taluk, the Member said, was exceptionally fit for ginger cultivation which required a large amount of cattle manure. Cattle were however not protected from slaughter by legislation and manure was not available. Hence other kinds of manure had to be tried. On that score the Member prayed for the opening of an experimental farm and manure depōt at Ettumanur.

The Member then dwelt on the necessity of improving the condition of certain important roads in the taluk. The roads from Kuravalangad to Kattampakku, Venpalli to Kadappur, from Ettumanur-Vaikam road to Manjur, Kotanallur to Onamthuruthi, from Ettumanur-Lalom road to Kudalur and Punnathura and from Kodamalur to Kaipuzha required improvement. Besides, the market canal from Atirampuzha to the backwater should be deepened and extended to Arumanur river and a canal from Venpalli to Kainakari should be investigated. The bund and sluice at Kattachira should be budgetted for next year. The Member finally dwelt on the necessity for the early repair of the Kaduthuruthi temple, the Vasudevapuram temple at Kodamalur, the Srikanteswaram temple at Manjur and the Gneezhur temple at Kaduthuruthi. He also urged the need for the construction of a *Bhajanamatom* and *Kalithattu* at Ettumanur for non-caste Hindus, as also for repairing the Ettumanur temple tank and completing the improvement of the public tank. The Member's last prayer was that two lights should be provided for the Ettumanur temple and that the Homapura, Samudayamatom and other thatched buildings should be tiled.

Dewan's reply.—In regard to raising the standard of the English school, I am told that there are only 22 boys in Form III.

Member.—There are two grant-in-aid schools in the adjoining pakuthies, *viz* Kidangur and Kuravalangad. The number of students in these institutions should also be taken into consideration. I shall undertake to provide the minimum number of students required at the beginning of the next school year.

Dewan.—I doubt whether it will be possible to raise the standard of the school by the beginning of the next year.

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Member.—A building has been constructed. You yourself saw the building in company with the Executive Engineer. You then pointed out that the building should be divided into separate rooms. If the standard of the school is not raised now, many boys will have to stop education. The Director came to the place. He asked us to provide additional site. We shall provide the additional site in due course.

Dewan.—I shall look into the matter and dispose of it after consulting the Director.

About the opening of a Munsiff's court, the attention of the High Court will be specially drawn to the difficulties regarding the execution of decrees and their opinion invited.

A manure depot can be easily arranged for. A commission depot can be opened.

Member.—The people are not able to choose the manure suited to their lands. A demonstration farm is necessary. An officer should be deputed to show by experimental cultivation the use of the manures. The Kottayam officer may be transferred for one or two years.

Dewan.—There are no men available. So we are going to send eight men to Poona and Nagpur for undergoing training. If the ryots agree, demonstration will be undertaken on their lands.

The request for one more Member for the taluk and another for trade interests is noted.

162. Inconvenience caused to the public by the location of the several public offices in different parts of the town of Kottayam.

Mr. Nainan Eippu (Member, Trading Classes, Kottayam) represented that the people of Kottayam were put to much hardship on account of the location of the several public offices in different parts of the town. He drew the special attention of Government to the inconvenience caused to the public owing to the Munsiff's Court and the District Court being situated far from each other, and suggested that all the offices might be located in the present Zillah Court compound. He further observed that the acquisition of lands near Tirunakkara would not only be a great loss to Government, but was also unnecessary, as there was sufficient space in the Zillah Court compound. Another request of the Member was the shifting of the Kottayam Sub-Registry office to Thazhathangadi.

Dewan's reply.—Orders have been issued for the construction of all office buildings in the premises of the District Court. But it will take time, as it involves heavy expenditure. As regards the transfer of the Sub-registry office from its present site, I shall consider the matter.

163. Requirements of the town of Changanachery.

Mr. Ouseph Chacko (Member, Trading Classes, Changanachery) mentioned the following as the urgent needs of the town:—

(1) Improvement of the canal from Changanachery to Alleppey by deepening it and removing the curves.

(2) Deepening the canal from the market landing to the Vembanad lake.

(3) The creation of a recreation ground in the town.

In regard to the last, the Member observed that there was a proposal to shift the Travellers' Bungalow from its present site and construct a new building. In that case, the site of the present Travellers' Bungalow might be reserved as a recreation ground for the use of the people.

Dewan's reply.—Government have no intention of giving up the present T. B. The question of a recreation ground will be considered after personal inspection. An estimate has been sanctioned for the deepening of the market canal. It is reported that the existing canal from Changanachery to Alleppey is in an efficient

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